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1. A wooden bridge has recently been completed over the Bednja River between Brastovac and Kapovac in Croatia. This 86 meter long bridge had been destroyed during the war and is located on the Novimarski-Varazdinske Toplice-Varazdin road.
2. The large Niksic-Plevlje concrete bridge over the Tara River in Serbia has been rebuilt. It is 152 meters above the river and 367 meters long. The partisans had destroyed a 48 meter long span of the bridge during the war.
3. The bridge over the Sava River near the town of Medova which is located near Ljubljana has been rebuilt. It is 75 meters long.
4. In the town of Kranj (in Slovenia) a 150 meter long bridge over the Sava was destroyed during the war. The Germans constructed a temporary wooden bridge on concrete pillars which is still in use. A new bridge is being built on these pillars to replace the wooden structure.
5. Over the Drava River near Mokra Gora, on the road connecting Serbia with Bosnia and Montenegro, the bridge has been rebuilt of concrete. Its length is 25 meters, its width 10.50 meters. The bridge is located southwest of Uzice.
6. A road and railroad bridge on the Ljubljana-Novo Mesto line is located in the village of Zalni. Its length is 150 meters and its height 20 meters. It is constructed of concrete and stone in a semi-circular form.
7. A bridge on the Mostar-Sarajevo road over the Neretva River in the village of Konjic has been rebuilt. The concrete structure is 87 meters long and connects Bosnia with Herzegovina and the Adriatic coast.
8. The construction of a railroad bridge with a capacity of 25 tons over the Drava River near Osijek is in process. The railroad line connects Osijek with Darda and the Hungarian border. A new iron framework is being assembled on the old pillars of the former bridge, even though the bridge will be temporary since there are plans for a new highway and railroad bridge similar to the one between Belgrade and Pancevo.
9. The Karlovac-Senj road has been reopened to traffic. Several bridges and a road tunnel had to be rebuilt. The bridge over the Lika River has been rebuilt temporarily.

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10. A temporary iron bridge (Bailey bridge) is under construction over the Sava River near Bosanska Gradiska. The total length will be 245 meters with three spans; the middle span will have a length of 30.50 meters to permit boat traffic under it. This bridge, with a maximum load of 24 tons, is the only one over the Sava between Zagreb and Slavonski Brod.
11. The bridge between Markovac and Svilajinac over the Morava River is still under construction and is not expected to be finished before June of 1947. The bridge will be on the road which connects eastern and western Serbia.
12. The bridge over the Morava in Montenegro, located near Podgorica, has been completed. It is built of iron.
13. The Federal road between Berane and Rozaaj has been completed. The 30 kilometer long road connects Montenegro with the Metchie and southern Serbia.
14. The wooden bridge over the Drava River near Ormos is finished. Its length is 216 meters and its width is six meters. The two main pillars are of concrete and bricks and support a maximum load of 50 tons. There are 16 spans of six meters and ten spans of 12 meters.
15. Traffic has been resumed on the road between Skoplje and Djevdelijsa on the Greek border since a new road has been built between Demir Kapija and Udova. The old road had been destroyed beyond repair. A railroad line had followed the left bank of the Vardar River, but now the new railway is on the right bank. A tunnel of 270 meters was built for the rail traffic.
16. The road and railroad bridge over the Sava River near Brcko has been completed. Its length is 793 meters with 29 spans, and is constructed of iron on concrete and stone pillars. It connects Slavonia with western Bosnia.

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